

Northern Idaho Adjudication (NIA)

Town Hall Meeting: Information Update for Citizens

Coeur d' Alene-Spokane River Water System

July 21-24, 2008

Idaho Department of Water Resources



Town Hall Meetings

- July 21, 7 p.m. – Wallace
- July 22, 2 p.m. – Plummer
- July 22, 7 p.m. – St. Maries
- July 23, 2 p.m. – Blanchard
- July 23, 7 p.m. – Athol
- July 24, 1 p.m. – Coeur d' Alene
- July 24, 7 p.m. – Post Falls

Discussion Items

- **Introductions and Overview of Northern Idaho Adjudication – Director Dave Tuthill or Don Shaff**
- **Legal Issues – Clive Strong or Garrick Baxter**
- **Adjudication Process Overview – Ken Knoblock**
- **Regional Perspective – Bob Haynes**
- **Questions**

Introduction of IDWR Staff

- **Northern Region Adjudication Staff**
 - » **Ken Knoblock, Water Rights Supr**
 - » **Chad Goodwin, Sr WR Agent**
 - » **Shaun Maxey, Sr WR Agent**
 - » **Carolyn Monitz, Technical
Records Specialist**
 - » **Suzy Cooley-Denney, Paralegal**

Introduction of IDWR Staff

- **State Office Staff**
 - » **Carter Fritschle, Section Manager**
 - » **Craig Saxton, Water Right Supr**
 - » **Sandy Hemenway, Sr WR Agent**
 - » **Monica Van Bussum, Sr WR Agent**
 - » **Zach Maillard, GIS Analyst**

Office of the Attorney General

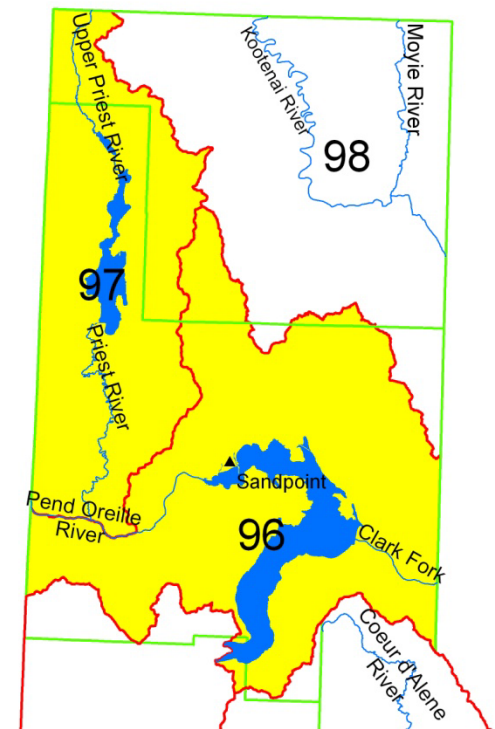
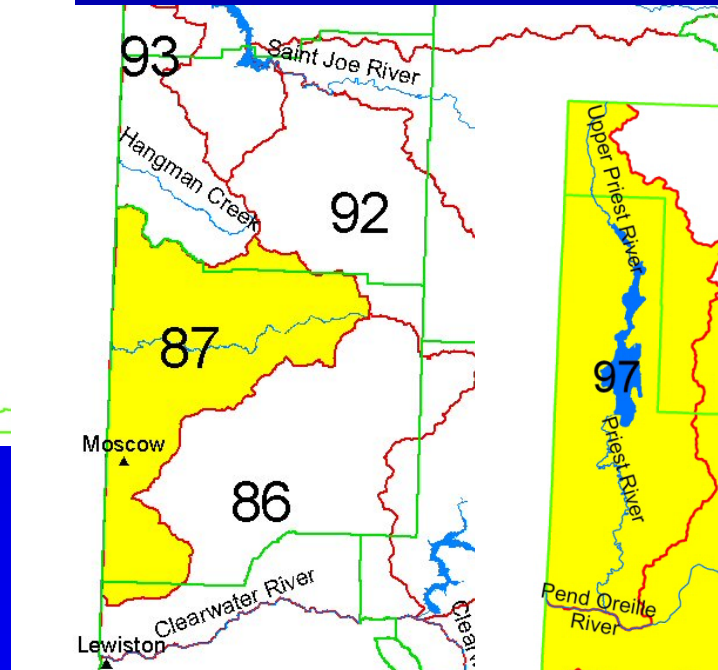
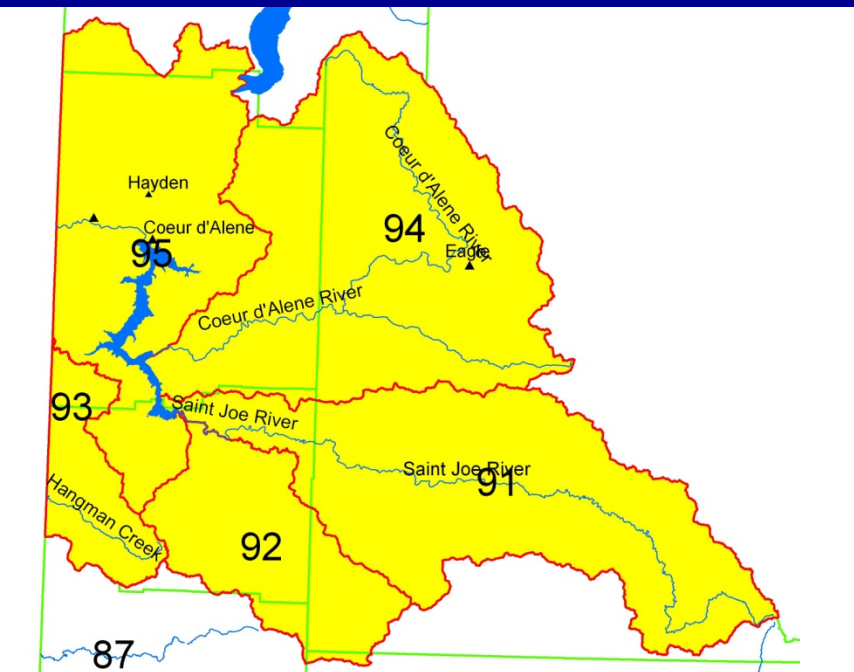
- **Clive Strong, Chief,
Natural Resources Division**

Introduction of Court

- Judge John M. Melanson
- Eric Wildman, Staff Attorney

Scope of Northern Idaho Adjudication

Idaho Code § 42-1406b



IDWR Mission: "Accurately determine the water rights in the Northern

Projected Milestones – By Fiscal Year – Northern Basins

Fiscal Year	Basins 91-95	Basin 87	Basins 96-97
FY08	Prepare infrastructure		
FY09	Conduct meetings, commence, take claims, conduct field examinations		
FY10	Take claims, conduct field examinations, prepare recommendations	Conduct meetings, commence, take claims	
FY11	Prepare recommendations, file Directors Reports	Conduct field examinations	Conduct meetings, commence, take claims
FY12	File Directors Reports, Dispute Resolution	Prepare recommendations	Conduct field examinations
FY13	Dispute Resolution	File Directors Reports	Prepare recommendations
FY14		Dispute Resolution	File Directors Reports
FY15			Dispute Resolution

Northern Idaho Adjudication

Coeur d'Alene - Spokane River Basin Water System

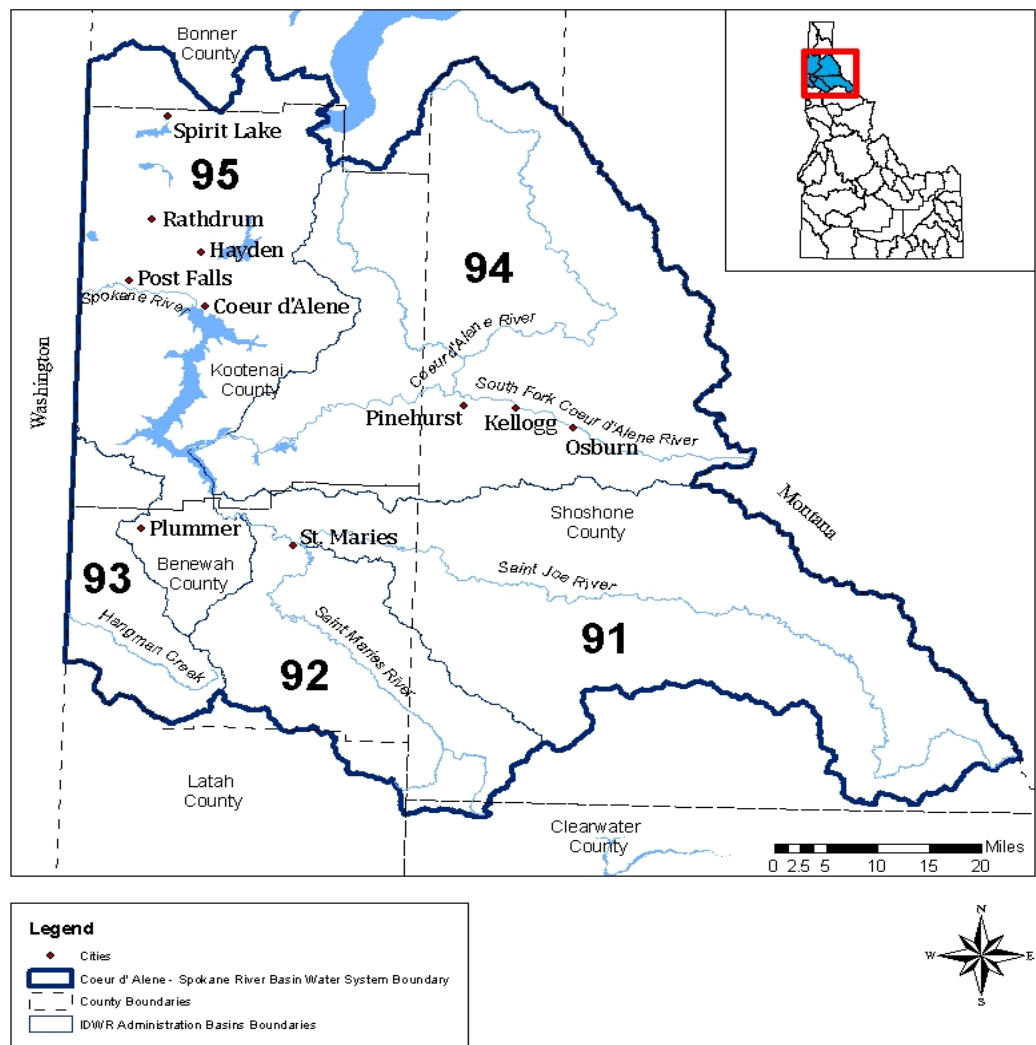


Exhibit 1

Petition to Commence Adjudication

- On July 8, 2008, the Idaho Attorney General filed a petition to commence an adjudication for the Coeur d' Alene-Spokane River water system.

Petition Highlights

- All surface and ground waters
- United States and Tribes are included
- No water uses are excluded

Petition Highlights

- **Outlines proposed boundaries**
- **Requests that court allow claimants to defer (postpone) filing for small D&S rights**
 - » **Stipulation – State and US**
 - » **Agreed procedure for adjudicating deferred small D&S claims**

Hearing on Petition

- **Idaho law requires that Northern Idaho Adjudication (NIA) District Court hold a hearing on the petition.**
- **August 28, 2008 Hearing**
 - » **Federal Courthouse**
 - » **205 North 4th Street**
 - » **Coeur d' Alene**
 - » **10:00 a.m.**
- **Opportunity for interested parties to formally comment.**
- **NIA court issued an order setting hearing:**

Procedures before Hearing to present evidence or argument

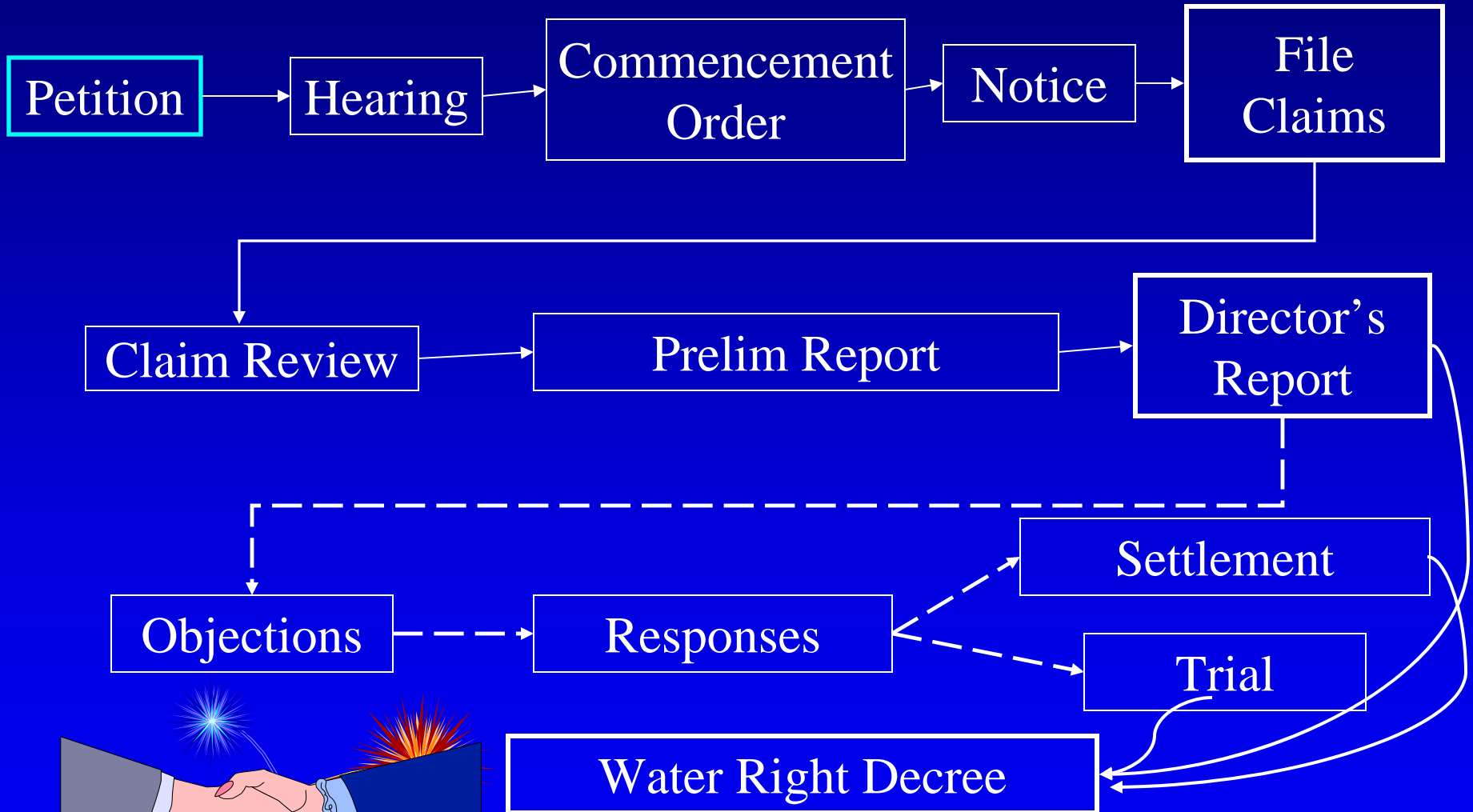
- **August 14, 2008 deadline**
- **Notice of Appearance**
- **Prehearing statement**
 - » **Issues raised**
 - » **List of documents that will be offered**
 - » **List of witnesses**
 - » **Estimated amount of time for each witness**
- **Brief or Memorandum in support of legal argument**
- **All court filings served on State, IDWR, and US**

For more information:

- www.idwr.idaho.gov



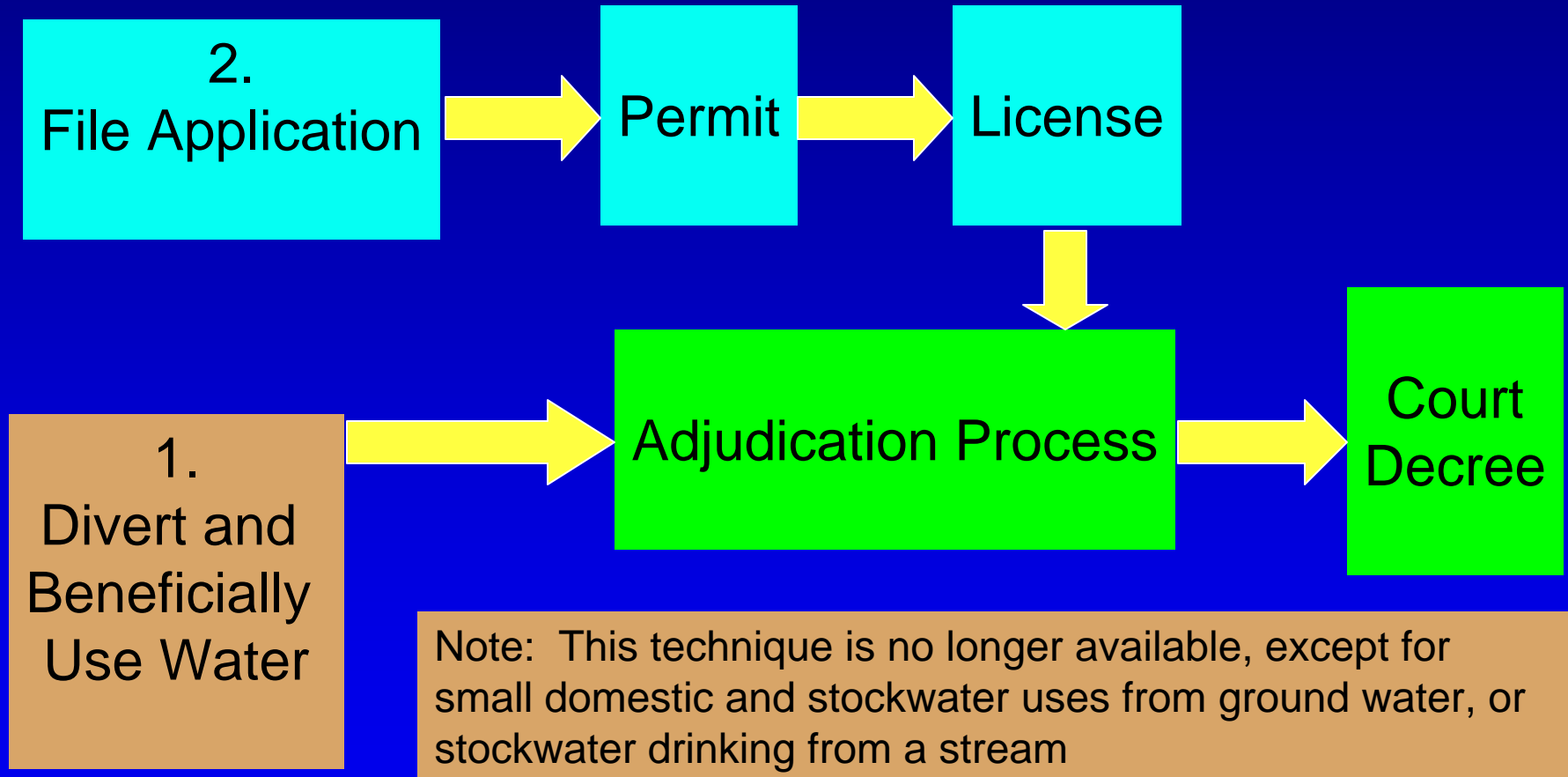
NIA Process



NDWR: "Accurately determine the water rights in the Northern Idaho Adjudication."

Why is it important to file a claim on small domestic and stockwater rights?

Two ways to establish water rights in Idaho



March 25, 1963 – ground water
May 20, 1971 – surface water

Reason for Northern Idaho Adjudication

Why adjudicate (define extent of) water rights?

***What hasn't been defined can't be
managed or administered!***



Questions?

Thank you for coming